



Docket No. 18013(AT 20958-00043)
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bricker et al.

Art Unit: 2831

Serial No.: 10/659,156

Examiner: Chau N. Nguyen

Filed: September 10, 2003

For: CABLE JACKET WITH
INTERNAL SPLINES

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

1. We enclose the following documents:

- Amendment Transmittal (3 pages, in duplicate)
- Amendment in Response to Office Action dated May 17, 2004 (11 pgs)
- Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant

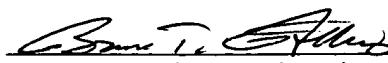
claims small entity status.
 is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

| Extension for response within: | Other than small entity Fee | Small entity Fee (if applicable) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| first month | \$ 110.00 | \$ 55.00 |
| second month | \$ 420.00 | \$ 210.00 |
| third month | \$ 950.00 | \$ 475.00 |
| fourth month | \$1,480.00 | \$ 740.00 |
| fifth month | \$2,010.00 | \$ 1,005.00 |

Fee: _____ \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____.

OR

- (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| | (Col. 1) | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY |
|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | ADDITIONAL. RATE FEE | ADDITIONAL RATE FEE |
| TOTAL INDEP. | MINUS | | = | x \$9 = \$ | x \$18 = \$ |
| | MINUS | | = | x \$43 = \$ | x \$86 = \$ |
| | FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | + \$145 = \$ | + \$290 = \$ |
| | | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ | OR |
| | | | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ |

(a) X No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

(b) _____ Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. _____ Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

_____ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. X If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

X If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. _____ Other:


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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: